## HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 935 By Todd

A RESOLUTION to designate March 2006 as "Kidney Cancer Awareness Month."

WHEREAS, each year more than 36,000 people in the United States are diagnosed with kidney cancer, and more than 100,000 kidney cancer survivors are currently living in the U. S. and Tennessee; and

WHEREAS, the exact cause of kidney cancer is unknown; and

WHEREAS, kidney cancer occurs nearly twice as often in men as in women and mostly in men over 40 years old; and

WHEREAS, the American Cancer Society estimated that last year there were about 36,160 new cases of kidney cancer, 22,490 in men and 13,670 in women, in the United States; and

WHEREAS, other than surgery, the most commonly used treatments for kidney cancer are immunotherapy, radiation, and chemotherapy; and

WHEREAS, breakthroughs in research over the last year have given renewed hope to patients who previously had few treatment options; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that the Tennessee General Assembly declares that March 2006 be named "Kidney Cancer Awareness Month."

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.